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In Memoriam

John R. McGuire, the 10th FS Chief and the Station's 6th Director, died on April 6, in Gaithersburg, Md, 2 weeks short of his 86th birthday. He had been in ill health for several months. He served as Station Director from 1963-67 and as FS Chief from 1972-79. During the interim, he was FS Deputy Chief-Programs and Legislation, and then in 1971 he became the agency's second Associate Chief. The first Chief whose background was primarily in research, he was also the first to head the agency after holding the second ranking position as Associate Chief.

A forest economist, he started his FS career in 1939 as field assistant in Columbus, Ohio. He held other positions with research stations in the East until 1957, when he became Chief of the Division of Forest Economics Research at PSW. And then before returning to the Station as Director, he served a year in the FS Washington Office as a Staff Assistant to the Deputy Chief—Research. in 1962.

Major legislation enacted by Congress during Chief McGuire's tenure included the landmark Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the National Forest Management Act of 1976.

In an interview with FYI in 1990, when asked what he considered his most memorable achievement as Station Director, he replied "After 25 or so years, events seem a little hazy. But I do recall much attention to strengthening PSW ties with the rest of the FS, the State, the University of California, and some State colleges. It was a time of rapid change in providing library and other information services and in the use of computers.:"

In The USDA Forest Service—The First Century, published in 2000, he offered these observations: "The interested public is surprisingly knowledgeable about natural resources. Yet people still need to hear forestry's message—that sound forestry practices can provide both protection and use."

Chief McGuire is survived by his wife, Marjory, and a daughter, Joan.

Personnelly Speaking

Extra-Effort Award

- Greg McPherson, Urban Forestry Research Unit, Davis: "for remarkable accomplishments contributing greatly to the advancement of urban forestry research in the West."
- Pat Winter, Recreation/Urban Culture Research Unit, Riverside: "for successfully completing the southern California socio-economic assessment."

Lisle to Lead Arcata Research Unit

Thomas E. Lisle was named Project Leader—Hillslope Processes/Fishery Research, at the Station's Redwood Sciences Laboratory, Arcata, effective March 24. He succeeds Bob Ziemer, who retired on April 3.

Except for about 10 months with the Redwood National Park, Tom has been with the Station's Arcata staff since July 1977, after receiving his doctorate in geology at the University of California at Berkeley. He earned a B.A. degree at Cornell College, in Mt. Vernon, Iowa (1970) and a M.S. degree at the University of Montana (1972)—both in geology.

His personal research at PSW has centered mostly on the physical processes in rivers linking watershed processes to downstream resources, particularly aquatic ecosystems.

"Relating watershed processes to downstream resources will always be an important issue for land management, requiring multi-scale and multi-disciplinary approaches," says Tom. "Our challenge will be to maintain and strengthen the tradition of sound sciences on important issues that Bob Ziemer nurtured over the last two decades. We need to push the frontiers of linking biological and physical linkages in terrestrial, riparian, and aquatic ecosystems. We have a clear vision of how to approach watershed-scale problems, and we need to transfer that vision to analyses that are being conducted by land managers."

Tom was born in Clarinda, in southwest Iowa, and had his early schooling there. His wife, Lori Dengler, is professor of geophysics at Humboldt State University in Arcata. They have two sons, Ken and Peter, and a daughter, Clara. The family lives in nearby McKinleyville.

Changes in FS Leadership Positions

- Chief Dale Bosworth has announced changes in several FS leadership positions:
- Arthur Bryant: from assignment with Coastal America to Director of Senior, Youth, and Volunteer Programs, FS Washington Office.
- David Holland: from Deputy Regional Forester—Resources, Southern Region, Atlanta to Director of Recreation, Heritage, and Wilderness Resources, FS Washington Office.
- Janette Kaiser: from Forest Supervisor, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Dillon, Montana to Director of Forest and Rangeland Management, FS Washington Office.
- Gail Kimball: from Forest Supervisor, Pike and San Isabel National Forest, Colorado to Associate Deputy Chief—National Forest System, FS Washington Office. (Continued on the back)

New to PSW

Christine P. (Christie) Eckman joined PSW Dec. 2, 2001. Officially the Office Automation Assistant for the Sierra Nevada Research Center, unofficially Christine is Jill of All Trades because she is the only support-services person at SNRC, working with 10-13 scientists. She answers phones, manages SNRC's web site, handles general administrative duties for Program Manager Peter Stine and his group, and more.

A California native, Christine is a recent graduate of U.C. Davis in animal science. Before joining the Forest Service, she was with the Lindsey Wildlife Museum in Walnut Creek, handling animal rescue and workshops for area youths.

Christine's love of animals is apparent in her family, which includes a Gossin's cockatoo (Birda), guinea pig (Elvis), water dragon (Walter), horse (Buster), 13 turtles, and 4 goldfish. She has a fiancé, too; the wedding is set for next year.

"I work with an awesome group, says Christine, and "I have a great boss!" Because she likes to learn new things, she is thrilled that everyone she works with has "given her a chance to learn. They are great teachers!"

Cynthia A. (Cindy) Sanderson's newest employer is the Forest Service, but she brings 21 years' experience in Federal service (mostly in the U.S. Department of Defense) to her new job. Cindy joined PSW, Albany, on Nov. 19, 2001, after working at the Sierra Army Depot in Herlong (near Susanville) for 6 years. Before that, she was part of a production team at Mare Island in Vallejo. Once Congress closed the U.S. Naval Base at Mare Island, she stayed on to participate in clean-up of the base. As a result, Cindy has had extensive training and experience in hazardous waste management and environmental remediation. At PSW, however, she is an Office Automation Assistant, working with Bill Seney and Audie Nishida, running an infrastructure database, and enjoying her new, less risky responsibilities.

Cindy is over-the-moon at being in the Bay Area. It is home, and she and her family—three children and a husband—are getting settled once again.

"This [Pacific Southwest Research Station, Albany] is a great place to be," she says with a grin. "So relaxed and easygoing. Moving back is really great, too!"

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Changes, continued

- Randy Moore: from Forest Supervisor, Mark Twain National Forest, Rollo, Missouri to Regional Forester, Eastern Region, Milwaukee. Wisconsin.
- Christopher Pyron: from Deputy Regional Forester—Administration, Intermountain Region, Ogden, Utah to Chief of Staff to the Chief, FS Washington Office.
- Irving Thomas: from Director of Senior, Youth, and Volunteer Programs to Associate Deputy Chief—Business Operations, FS Washington office.
- Jack Troyer: from Deputy Regional Forester—Resources to Regional Forester, Intermountain Region, Ogden, Utah.

Sierra Nevada Research Unit to Davis

The Station's Sierra Nevada Science Center, formerly located in Sacramento, has relocated to 2121 Second Street, Suite A-101, Davis, CA 95616. New telephone number is: (530) 759-1700. Center Program Manager Peter Stine (ext. 1703) directs research teams in Albany and Fresno. Christine Eckman is the Center's Office Automation Assistant (ext. 1700).

Riverside Scientists Judge Science Fair

Station scientists at the Forest Fire Laboratory, Riverside again have served as judges in this year's community science fair, and the Laboratory has awarded ribbons, pins, and certificates to the winners.

The judges included John Benoit, Mary O'Dea, Pat Winter, and Pete Wohlgemuth. Winners in the RIM (Riverside, Inyo, Mono, San Bernardino) science fair were cited for excellence in their natural resource management research projects, and two of them will be competing at the Statewide level.

Meetings/Conferences/Seminars

• Pat Winter, Recreation/Urban Culture Research Unit, Riverside; presented a poster on "I Am More Concerned than John Q. Public," at the 2002 Convention, Western Psychological Association, April 11, Irvine, California. Her co-authors were George Cvetkovich of Western Washington University, and Nancy Knap of the Research Unit.